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Enclosed are:

[X] 26 page(s) of specification, 1 page(s) of Abstract, 4 page(s) of claims filed in the Japanese language.

[X] 10 sheets of drawing [X] formal (Figs. 1- 17(b)) [] informal

[] page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

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- ☐ Copy from prior application
- ☐ Deletion of inventors including Signed Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2)
- ☐ Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the combined declaration and power of attorney is supplied herein, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is incorporated herein by reference.
- ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
- ☐ _____ page(s) of Sequence Listing
 - ☐ computer readable disk containing Sequence Listing
 - ☐ Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f) that computer and paper copies of the Sequence Listing are the same
- ☒ Claim for Priority (Claim to Convention Priority) is made to Japanese Application Nos. 2003-016610 filed January 24, 2003 and No. 2003-064633 filed on March 11, 2003.
- ☒ Certified copies of the Japanese Priority Documents will be forwarded at a later date.
- ☐ English translation documents
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☒ Copy of the cited references, including Form PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copy of PTO-1449 filed in parent application serial No. _____
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503)
- ☐ Assignment Papers (assignment cover sheet and assignment documents)
 - ☐ The amount of \$ 40.00 for recording the Assignment included in the check for the filing fee.
 - ☐ Assignment papers filed in parent application Serial No. _____
 - ☐ Certification of chain of title pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- ☐ This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P) of prior application serial no. _____
 - ☐ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the parent application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
 - ☐ A preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this Amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
- ☐ The status of the parent application is as follows:
 - ☐ A Petition For Extension of Time and a Fee therefor has been or is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until _____
 - ☐ A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.

- ☐ No Petition For Extension of Time and Fee therefor are necessary in the co-pending parent application.
- ☐ Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the petition for extension of time in that application is granted and while this application is pending has been granted a filing date, so as to make this application co-pending.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending application Serial No. _____
_____ filed _____

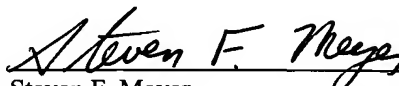
I. CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE (For Other Than A Small Entity)

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- ☐ A statement claiming small entity status is attached or has been filed in the above-identified parent application and its benefit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a) is hereby claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(F) (50% of total) paid herewith \$ _____.
- ☒ A check in the total amount of \$770.00 in payment of the application filing fee is attached.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ in payment of the assignment recording fee is attached.
- ☐ Charge Fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 13-4500. Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 5000-5140 A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

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